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**COUNTY SUPERVISOR RICE COMMENDS COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER'S
2011 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Milwaukee, WI – Supervisor Joseph A. Rice issued the following statement regarding the introduction of the 2011 Milwaukee County Budget:

“The 2011 Milwaukee County Budget introduced today by County Executive Scott Walker is welcome news for Milwaukee County taxpayers. It not only holds the line on taxes, but reduces the tax levy by \$1 million, while maintaining core County services.

I particularly applaud the County Executive for his initiative in seeking a balance between public and private sector employee wages and benefits. These steps are needed and are overdue. I have been a sponsor of the resolution to reduce the pension multiplier for elected officials that is a part of this budget and commend the County Executive for establishing a five percent employee contribution toward pension costs.

The County Board will now commence its deliberations on the budget. I urge my colleagues to look favorably at the County Executive's budget and not repeat the pattern of adding additional expenses we cannot afford. The budget appropriately moves us toward making Milwaukee County more affordable and attractive to new businesses.”

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